



## SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA INTERAGENCY

### INCIDENT MANAGEMENT TEAM 1

#### **Sherwin Fire Update** **August 6, 2008 (1800)**

<b>Sherwin Fire</b>	<b>Location:</b> Mammoth Lakes, California – 2 miles southeast of town		
<b>Acres Burned:</b>	347	<b>Structures Threatened:</b>	30
	71%	<b>Structures Destroyed:</b>	0
<b>Fire Started:</b>	August 3, 2008 11:45 a.m.	<b>Injuries:</b>	1
<b>Cause:</b>	Human, remains under investigation		
<b>Total personnel assigned to the Fire: 601</b>			

#### **Summary**

On Sunday August 3<sup>rd</sup> at approximately 1145 AM, the Sherwin Fire started in the Sherwin Lakes area 2 miles southeast of Mammoth Lakes. Firefighters on the ground from multiple agencies went into action with support from fixed-wing and rotary wing aircraft to suppress the fire. Wind caused the fire to spread in a north east direction away from the town of Mammoth Lakes.

The fire was human caused and remains under investigation. If anyone was in the Sherwin Lakes area on Saturday, August 2<sup>nd</sup> or Sunday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> and has any information, you're asked to call the U.S. Forest Service fire investigator Paul Meyers at (760) 924-5536.

Evacuations remain in effect for the Sherwin Creek Campground, Laurel Springs Camp, and the YMCA camp. Sherwin Creek Road remains closed as well as wilderness trailheads at Convict Lake, Sherwin Lakes, Valentine Lake and Laurel Pass. No wilderness permits are being issued for these trailheads.

The fire did not spread today and good progress was made on containment line construction. Mop-up work and cutting down hazard trees near the line continues. Firefighters installed approximately 8000 ft of hose today to extinguish and reinforce the fire line. The thunderstorms did not materialize today. Isolated thunderstorms are predicted tomorrow afternoon and the wind will be 5-8 mph from the southwest.

The incident command post is located at Mammoth High School. Agencies assisting the USFS on the fire include CAL FIRE, Mammoth Lakes Fire Protection District, Long Valley Fire Department Protection District, Mono County Sheriffs Department, Mammoth Lakes Police Department, CHP, and the city of Mammoth Lakes.

**Contact: Fire Information (760) 934- 8054**

Information is also available at [www.inciweb.org](http://www.inciweb.org) reference Sherwin Fire